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In re Application of: COLE, Alan, et al.  
Application No. 09/627,951  
Filed: July 28, 2000  
For: **METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR  
COLLATERAL MATCHING AND MARK TO  
MARKET RECONCILEMENT**  
Examiner: Kyle, Charles R.  
Group Art Unit: 3624

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**AMENDMENT AND REMARKS**

Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action mailed March 4, 2004 setting a three month period for response which expired on June 4, 2004. Applicants have filed herewith a request for a one month extension of time, extending the period for response to July 6, 2003. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 19 of this paper and include 31 attached replacement sheets following page 25 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 20 of this paper.